

The Council then adjourned.

*James Hornsby*  
City Council

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, December 28, 1922.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following members present: Mayor Yett, Councilmen Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 4; absent, Councilman Copeland.

The resignation of W. J. Crider, Assistant City Attorney, effective January 1st, 1923, was read and upon motion of Mayor Yett, the resignation was accepted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 4; absent, Councilman Copeland.

Mayor Yett then nominated H. B. Barnhart as Assistant City Attorney to succeed W. J. Crider resigned. Nomination was confirmed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 3; naves, none, Mayor Yett, present but not voting, Councilman Copeland absent.

The following communication from the Board of Trustees of the Public Free Schools was read:

" Austin, Texas, December 20, 1922.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council,  
Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held this date it was determined to ask you to levy a tax of sixty cents on the one hundred dollar's worth of taxable property for the maintenance of the public schools for the year 1922-23.

It is the earnest desire of the Board of Trustees not to ask any more money for the maintenance and support of the public schools than is absolutely necessary for their successful and economical operation.

We have been informed by the superintendent of receipts and disbursements that the taxable values have been increased about two million dollars. This will give us an increase from local taxation of \$12,000.00. The State, however, has reduced the per capita apportionment from \$13.00 to \$10.00, and the schools will receive this year \$26,817.00 less than was received last year from State apportionment.

This fact, together with the ever-increasing enrollment in the public schools and the necessity of adding new teachers each term, makes it necessary that we ask the Council to levy the maximum rate for the maintenance of the schools, viz, sixty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd) George M. Decherd, President.

" Mrs. T. I. Minter, Secretary."

"Austin, Texas, December 20, 1922.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council,  
Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with a provision of sub-division 2, of Section 2, of Article 12, of the Charter of the City of Austin, as amended, the Board of Trustees of the public free schools of the city, at a meeting held on the 20th day of December, 1922, determined, and you are hereby so advised, that the amount of taxes that shall be levied and collected for the year 1922 for the maintenance of said public free schools is sixty cents on the one hundred dollars worth of taxable property in the City of Austin.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd) George M. Decherd, President,

" E. A. Murchison, Vice President,

" D. C. Reed

" Julia Tips Goeth

" Mrs. T. I. Minter

" F. W. McEadden "

ATTEST:

(Sgd) Mrs. T. I. Minter,

(Seal) Secretary.

Councilman Haynes introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND LEVYING MUNICIPAL TAXES FOR THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, FOR THE YEAR A. D. 1922.

The ordinance was read the first time, and Councilman Haynes moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance placed on its second reading. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 4; naves, none, Councilman Copeland absent.

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Haynes moved a further suspension of the rule and the ordinance placed on its third reading and final passage. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 4; naves, none, Councilman Copeland absent.

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Haynes moved that same do now finally pass. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 4; naves, none, Councilman Copeland absent.

The communication of J. B. Rector, City Attorney, calling attention to the fact that the I&GN Railroad Company had constructed a track on West Third Street without proper authority and in defiance of the City Council's refusal to permit same, was read. Councilman Haynes moved that the I&GN Railroad Company be ordered to remove said trackage and that the City Attorney be instructed to notify the Railroad Company of such action of the City Council. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 4; naves, none, Councilman Copeland absent.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

Bids for supplies for the City of Austin for the period beginning January 1st, 1923, and ending July 1st, 1923, were opened and read.

The bid of V. O. Weed for hauling remains of white paupers and ambulance service, etc., was accepted as the lowest and best bid, by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 4; naves, none, Councilman Copeland absent.

The bid of Wm. M. Tears for hauling remains of colored paupers, ambulance service, etc. was accepted as the lowest and best bid, by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 4; naves, none, Councilman Copeland absent.

Councilman Searight moved that the following sewer rentals collected during the year 1922 be refunded:

J. D. Hill	-----2005	Wichita Street	-----\$	3.90
L. T. Bellmont	-----910	West 31st Street	-----	4.50
C. J. Berryman	-----2508	Nueces Street	-----	1.50
R. L. Malone	-----2503	Rio Grande Street	-----	3.00
W. S. Brown	-----710	West 21st Street	-----	1.50
J. T. Hurt	-----2210	San Gabriel Street	-----	2.60
R. L. Malone	-----110	West 18th Street	-----	1.95
E. J. Logan	-----4212	Avenue "F"	-----	10.50
Albert Miller	-----812	East 7th Street	-----	3.00
K. K. Francis	-----618	Blanco Street	-----	1.30
J. Harris	-----2614	Speedway	-----	3.00
Total -				\$36.75

Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor Yett, Councilmen Eyres, Haynes and Searight, 4; naves, none, Councilman Copeland absent.

The Council then recessed.